Statewide Interoperability Executive Committee (SIEC) Update

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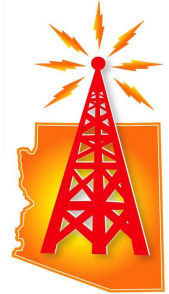Government Information Technology Agency

Agenda

- **March Meeting Highlights**

  - Communications Unit Training Procedures

  - Broadband – National, NPSTC & AZ Updates

  - IWCE Conference Update

  - PSIC Office Projects Update

- **Plans for Next SIEC Meeting**

Communications Unit Training Procedures

- In alignment with SCIP Initiatives for Communication Unit Training (2011 SCIP #10.4; #10.5), SIEC has approved a COML Recognition Program and appointed a Workgroup (NIMS-CU) to review COML Taskbooks.

- A Communications Unit Training Procedure was desired to:

  - Support use of County training funds for Communications Unit training (which is now FEMA approved)

  - Serve as a guide for offering consistent and timely delivery of Communications Unit Training statewide

  - Incorporate national best practices by DHS OEC and integrate with the existing ADEM procedures

Communications Unit Training Procedures

- The Procedure was developed by PSIC with support from ADEM and the NIMS-CU Workgroup

- The Procedure contains information regarding:

  - Training Courses, Instructors & Documentation

  - How AZ will develop a Group of In-State Instructors – requiring an AZ instructor in training for each course

  - Handling Comm Unit Training Requests / Inquiries

  - Comm Unit Training Coordination – step by step approach documented

- The Procedure was approved by SIEC - March 15th

Broadband – National, NPSTC

- U.S. Legislative Updates – Many bills; Public Safety Supportive; One Area of Concern proposed auction of 420-440/250-470 MHz bands

- FCC Activity – 3rd Order & 4th Further Notice of Rulemaking, 140 paragraphs (98 ask for comment); Responses Planned by APCO, NPSTC & PSST/OAC

- National Organization Viewpoints – SAFECOM Executive Committee (EC) voted in March to recommend a single nationwide wireless broadband network approach to DHS; NPSTC presented network configuration options – see PSIC website for more details

Broadband Updates, cont.

- Courses and publications
  - » NIEC developing a broadband course
  - » OEC developing broadband documents
  - » NECP being updated with respect to broadband content
  - » As documents become available we will post them to PSIC Website

- Mesa-TOPAZ Updates – Recommendation going to Mesa City Council in April

- Tucson Update – seeking funding

IWCE Highlights

- INTERNATIONAL WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS EXPO (IWCE)

  - **See Handout Prepared by PSIC Staff for more details.**

  - Keynote Address: Reflections from 9/11: Mark Tillman, Commander of Air Force One 2001-2009, including on September 11, 2001

  - Keynote Address: The National Emergency Communications Plan (NECP): Essential for Interoperability – Chris Essid, Director of the OEC

  - COML Awareness Workshop with discussion on national trends

  - Narrowbanding by 2013: The Myth, the Realities...the Countdown – FCC and other key speakers; Salient Points:
    - » FCC has and will shut down systems
    - » Waiver requests have been received but none have been granted
    - » Spectrum will be subject to reallocation
    - » NPSTC Survey:
      - 38% have narrowbanded; 57% have not
      - 59% have determined cost of narrowbanding; 41% have not

  - The Exhibit Floor – multi-band radios, etc.

UPDATE - PSIC OFFICE PROJECTS

- **SIEC Projects**
  - Arizona Interoperable Channels Plan Updates
  - CASM Protocols Planned
  - Next Generation AIRS Plan Development Planned
- **PSCC/SIEC**
  - Annual SCIP Updates
  - Regional Governance Project Update
  - Education & Outreach Plan Preview
- **PSIC**
  - Narrowbanding Outreach
- **Homeland Security & Related**
  - State Homeland Security Strategy (SHSS) Development
  - FFY 2011 Homeland Security Grants
  - Federal Technical Assistance Update
  - NECP Goal Two Assessments Update
- **FEMA**
  - Emergency Communications Plan (ECP) Process
- **Announcement**
  - Communications Unit Integration into NIMS/ICS Workshop

Plans for Next SIEC Meeting

- Moving next meeting from May to June
  - NECP Goal Two Events - 7 between April and mid June

- June 21, 2011 – 10 AM to Noon, Carnegie Center, 1100 W Washington, Phoenix

- Key Items for Discussion:
  - Approval of Updates to Interoperable Channel Plan
  - CASM Protocols Draft
  - Update from NIMS-CU Workgroup re: COML Requests for Recognition
  - Annual PSIC Office Plan Comments
  - National SWIC (NCSWIC) Meeting (late May) Updates
  - PSIC Office – Multiple Project Updates

Questions?

Discussion

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Thank You!